



Report to the Auburn City Council

Action Item

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Agenda Item No.

City Manager's Approval

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
From: Mike Holmes, Councilmember
Prepared by: Amy Lind, Asst. City Clerk
Date: February 27, 2012
Subject: COL "Bud" Anderson Monument at Auburn Airport

The Issue

Shall the Auburn City Council approve the design and installation of the "Bud" Anderson monument at the Auburn Airport?

Conclusion and Recommendation

That the Auburn City Council approve, by MOTION, the design and installation of the "Bud" Anderson monument at the Auburn Airport.

Background

In 2011, the City Council approved a preliminary rendering of a monument to honor World War II aviators at the Auburn Airport. Since that approval renown sculptor Doug Van Howd has offered another option to more specially honor World War II triple ace COL Clarence "Bud" Anderson as well as other aviators. Attached is a photo of a model of the monument which features Bud's P-51 aircraft "Old Crow" over a life size statue of COL Anderson.

On January 25th, 2012 the Auburn Aviation Association and the Auburn Aviation Association Airport Advisory Committee approved the proposed monument. On January 30th, 2012 the Auburn Airport Park Business Association gave similar approval. Last week on February 14th the Auburn Arts Commission gave unanimous approval to the project.

It is proposed that the monument be placed in a location accessible to the public on the airport property. One suggestion is the area next to Wing's restaurant.

Fiscal Impact

The monument will be paid for by private subscription. At least four people have already agreed to make significant contributions. Van Howd may also sell maquettes of the monument to raise funding. No city funds are being committed to this project.



February 9th, 2012

Councilman Mike Holmes
Auburn City Council
1225 Lincoln Way
Auburn, CA. 95602

Dear Councilman Holmes:

The Auburn Aviation Association Airport Advisory Committee (5AC) greatly appreciates your interest and attendance at our January 25th meeting. Further, we thank you for bringing acclaimed sculptor Doug VanHowd to our meeting. Mr. VanHowd's presentation of his design for a monument honoring Col. C. E. "Bud" Anderson and Bud's P-51 "Old Crow" was outstanding.

Mr. VanHowd explained, in detail, his clay maquette statue of Col. Anderson. He specifically covered its proposed size and placement beneath the P-51 that would be mounted atop a rising partial arch, climbing above the statue. The proposal was well received by all in attendance.

Following questions and discussion, a motion was made, seconded and voice vote approved, to support the continued development of the statue/monument which will ultimately be placed at the Auburn Municipal Airport.

In accordance with the approved motion, the 5AC and the AAA supports a presentation to the Auburn City Council for consideration and support.

Very truly yours,

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